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ADA Director Donald Butler Receives Arizona Cotton Growers Award

(Phoenix, AZ) – At their annual meeting on March 7, 2007 the Arizona Cotton Growers Association presented Donald Butler, the Director of the Arizona Department of Agriculture (ADA), with its Industry Appreciation Award.

Also receiving the Industry Appreciation Award is Lori Faeth, Senior Policy Advisor to Governor Janet Napolitano. Faeth, who oversees natural resources, agriculture, and environmental issues for the Governor, has been an ardent supporter of Arizona Agriculture since her hire in 2003.

This prestigious award is given to those identified by the Arizona Cotton Growers whose service has been exemplary and beneficial to the cotton industry in Arizona. The Arizona Cotton Growers Association represents the cotton industry in Arizona.



In a statement, the Cotton Growers Association applauded Director Butler's years of "good efforts in managing the Arizona Department of Agriculture."

"I am honored to receive this prestigious award," said Butler, "especially from an industry that has contributed so much to the economic prosperity and growth of this state."

One factor that has made Director Butler effective is his over 50 years of experience in agriculture. His experience includes being President of the Arizona Cattle Feeder's Association, President National Cattlemen's Association, Chairman of Shasta Foods International, and a member of the Arizona Agriculture "100" Council.

Butler was appointed Director of the Arizona Department of Agriculture in 2003 by Governor Janet Napolitano.